



ADVANCED AMPHIBIOUS ASSAULT VEHICLE



6 February 2002



AAAV TESTING STRATEGY

Concept Exploration	Program Development and Risk Reduction	System Development and Demonstration	Production Readiness and Low Rate Initial Production
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Hydrodynamic Test Rig



Automotive Test Rig

Technology Demonstrators



- USER Juries
- Combined Arms Exercise
- Force on Force Modeling
- Logistics Demonstrators



Integrated Functionality

- 9 Vehicles

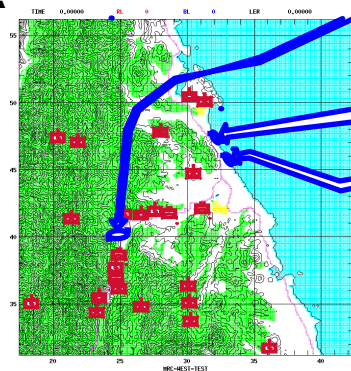
SDD OA

Cold Weather Ops

- RAM-D Testing
- IETM Validation
- Verification

Multi-Vehicle Operations
Operational Suitability

- IOT&E



FUSL
IOT&E
Test to Prove



TESTING HIGHLIGHTS

- Land Testing - 3,659 Miles
- Water Testing - 1,913 Hours
- Firepower Testing
- Ballistic Hull & Turret Survivability Testing
- C4I Testing
- AAHV (P) and AAHV(C) EOA
- Logistics Demonstration (Training & Maintenance)
- IETM Demonstration
- User Juries





AAAV(P) & (C) USER JURIES



- **User Jury I** - AAAV(P) GDAMS Existing Technology Demonstration:
Oct 28-29, 1996
- **User Jury II** - AAAV(P) Crew Station Mapping And Navigation Displays, Interactive Electronic Technical Manual (IETM), And Programmable Pushbutton Switches Demonstration/Evaluation: Apr 16-18, 1997
- **User Jury III** - AAAV(P) Human Factors Engineering: Oct 22-24, 1997
- **User Jury IV** - AAAV(P) Troop Arrangements and Egress: May 18-22, 1998
- **User Jury V & VI** - First AAAV(C): May 99 and June 99;
Second AAAV(C): Feb 2, 2000
- **User Jury VII** - Third AAAV(C): Seating Arrangements and Egress: Aug 29-30, 2000
- **User Jury VIII** - Fourth AAAV(C) Mobile Operational Prototype: Sep 19-21, 2000
- **User Jury IX** - Fifth AAAV(C): Human Factors Engineering and Ergonomics:
April 23-26, 2001
- **User Jury X** - Sixth AAAV(C): Mobile Operational Prototype II: 20-31 Aug 2001
- **User Jury XI** - Seventh AAAV(C): Weapon Station & Live Fire Shoot: 23-25 Jan 2002

User Juries Provide Early and Invaluable Insight into AAAV Design



FUTURE AAV(P) & (C) USER JURIES



- **User Jury XII** - Eighth AAV(C): Mobile Operational Prototype III: Jul 2002
- **User Jury XII** - AAV(P) & (C): VAPS Display MMI: Aug 2002
- **User Jury XIV** - Ninth AAV(C): Target C4I Networks: Apr 2003
- **User Jury XV** - AAV(P): Pre-OA Verification: Oct 2003
- **User Jury XVI** - Tenth AAV(C): Post OA System Modification Verification:
Jun 2005
- **User Jury XVII** - AAV(P): Post OA System Modification Verification: Oct
2005
- **User Jury XVIII** - Eleventh AAV(C): Pre IOT&E System Verification: Mar
2006

**User Juries Provide Early and Invaluable Insight
into AAV Design**



PDRR PROTOTYPE TESTING TO DATE

12/99 01/00 02/00 03/00 04/00 05/00 06/00 07/00 08/00 09/00 10/00 11/00 12/00 01/01 02/01 03/01 04/01 05/01 06/01 07/01 08/01 09/01 10/01 11/01 12/01

24 Jan

P1

Quantico	Patuxent River NAS
and Mobility Shakedown	Water Mobility Testing at High Water Speed and Transition Modes

12 July

29 May 26 Jun 5 Aug 2 Oct 17 Nov

P2

Aberdeen Test Center (ATC)	Wdbg	ATC	29 Palms	CAX 1&2	Wdbg
Shakedown and Land Mobility Testing at Weight Conditions LC-1 & LC-3	Refurbishment at Tech Ctr	Con't Land Mobility DT	EOA Trng and Prep	Land Mobility & Firepower EOA	Refurb & Ready for Water Mob.

29 Nov 19 Dec

24 May 2 Jun 3 Aug 2 Oct 17 Nov

P3

Woodbridge	Eglin AFB	Wdbg	29 Palms	Wdbg
Functional Integration Inspection	NSWC/EP Test	Firepower Testing	Refurbishment, Maintenance Training	B/U to P2 and Mobility & Firepower EOA
Logistics Demonstration				Refurb & Ready for Water Mob.

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Aberdeen

Woodbridge

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29 Palms

Eglin AFB

CAX



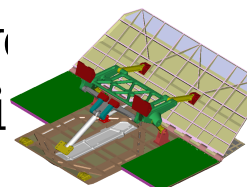
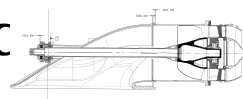
PROTOTYPE #1 TESTING STATUS



- P1 has 1,913 hours of testing, primarily in High



- Ongoing Developmental Testing Is Characterizing the Hydrodynamic Performance Environment and Optimizing Performance Landli Characteristics



SDD Bow

Adjustments



Max Planing Weight Transition Mode

Max Speed = 38 Knots 78,600 lbs @ 22 Kts Fully Characterized



PROTOTYPE #2 TESTING STATUS



- **P2 Has 3,078 Miles of Land Mode Testing**

The Land Speed KPP was Demonstrated



Oct 2000



July 2000

- **Developmental Testing at ATC / 29 Palms has Characterized Land Performance Parameters Such As:**

- Ride Quality (On / Off Road)
 - Characteristics Are Better Than AA
- Steering
- Max Speed = 73.4 kph
- Wall Climb = 42 in/(36in LC-3)
- Gap Cross = 9 ft/(8 ft - LC-3)
- Approach / Departure Angles
- Slopes and Grades (50 & 60% LC3 Remain)
- Braking





PROTOTYPE #3 TESTING STATUS



- **P3 Has 309 Miles of Land Mode and Firepower Testing**
- **To Date, P3 Has Been Used for the Following Tests:**
 - Logistics Demonstration
 - Maintenance/Operator Training for EOA Marines
 - Mk46 System Checkout and Dial-in of Primary and Coax Weapons Systems at Eglin AFB
 - CAX Support
- **While at 29 Palms in Support of EOA, the P3 Prototype Is Also Conducting the Following Developmental Tests:**
 - Engine Cooling System Evaluation (Hot Weather)





FIREPOWER TESTING

- **First Full System Test Conducted at Eglin AFB (June - July 2001)**

- TP-T ammo: Probability of Hit of 0.90, Stationary to Stationary @ 1500M
- APFSDS-T: Penetrated armored threat target frontally out to 3000M (max rg tested)
 - **Penetrated armored threat target @ 2300M after ricochet**
- Optimized Feed System in SDD
- 7.62MM COAX Demonstrated Accuracy

- **Ammunition Testing**

- Mk44 Gun Qualified Along with Types NDI Ammo
- Demonstrated Capability to Defeat AAHV Target Matrix
 - **Infantry**
 - **MOUT/Bunker Targets**





TEST REPORTS

- Pre-MSII COI Folders: provided to MCOTEA/DOT&E on approximately 80 out of a possible 113 COE evaluation criteria.
- EOA SAR report
- MSII CTP summary - provided as part of the MSII DT Report October 2000 and as part of the SFRT in July 2001
- Armor Validation report
- BH&T test report
- Other Test Reports -issue papers and test reports were attached and/or referenced in the CTP summary provided as part of the DT Report for MSII and as part of the SRFT for the EOA in July 2001
- Land Mobility Report
 - Report covering period Aug 00 - Aug 01
 - DRPM will provide NLT COB.
- Water Mobility Report
 - Original Interim Beginning to Sept 00 for MSII.
 - Next Report Sept 00 to Sept 01 in draft. Expect report to be issued by March 02.
 - Final report will include testing through Dec 01. In progress.



SDD TESTING



- **Developmental Testing**

- Land and Water Mobility, Firepower
- Reliability Testing

- **Operational Testing (Before IOT&E)**

- Land Mobility Operational Assessment (FY01)
- Comparative Firepower Operational Assessment (FY02)
- Amphibious Operations Operational Assessment (FY02)
- Validating LRIP Entrance Criteria (FY04)
- SDD Operational Assessment (FY04)
- Cold Weather Operational Assessment (FY05)

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- **Operational Testing**

- Full Up System Live Fire (FY05)
- IOT&E (FY06)

**TEST
To
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E**



Y02 AAHV ASSET UTILIZATION

10/01

11/01

12/01

01/02

02/02

03/02

04/02

05/02

06/02

07/02

P1

PAX RIVER	AAHV TECH	ATC	PAX	Ft	AVTB
Water Mode DT for Amphibious Phase EOA & SDD Design Improvements	Refurbish, Functional Integration, FIR, Ship to ATC	Auto Shakedown, Limited T/M, W/M Shakedown	EMI/EMC	Story T/M, W/M Open Ocean, Surf Zone Shakedown	DT-II Testing

P2

29 Palms	Eglin AFB	TBD
CAX-1 EOA Firepower Comparative Test SDD Engineering Tests	Ventilation, ECS, Thermal, VC, FCT	Retrofit, Functional Integration, FIR Performance Specification Validation Testing

P3

Palm	AAHV TECH	ATC	Ft Story	AVTB
CAX-1 B/U	Refurbish, Functional Integration, FIR, Ship to ATC	Auto Shakedown, Limited T/M, W/M Shakedown	T/M, W/M Open Ocean, Surf Zone Shakedown Ship to AVTB	DT-II Water Testing B/U to P1 Amphibious Ocean Testing

As of: 18 January 2002



COMPARATIVE FIREPOWER



- **AAAV Program Office Objectives:**
 - Input on capabilities of the AAAV weapons station design
 - Input on the Marine-Machine Interfaces in the AAAV Turret (gunner, vehicle commander, troop commander)
 - Input on “fightability” of the AAAV
- **Other Objectives**
 - AAVP7A1 crews will fire the same gunnery matrix as the AAAV(P) prototype for comparison purposes where vehicle Tactics, Techniques, and Procedures allow



AMPHIBIOUS OPERATIONS



- AAVV Program Office Objectives:
 - Input on capabilities of vehicle
 - Operations with Amphibious Shipping
 - Operations in open ocean
 - Operations in the surf zone
 - Input on the Marine-Machine Interfaces in waterborne operations (driver, vehicle commander)
 - Input in ride quality over the water
 - Input on “fightability” of the AAVV in waterborne operations
- Other Objectives
 - Resolve system performance criteria, and to provide comparative AAV/AAAV data where appropriate



Break Time





NEXT GENERATION PROTOTYPE DESIGN IMPROVEMENTS



- **Developmental Testing of the 3 PDRR Prototypes and the BH&T Structure Has Been Successful**
 - Although Some Test Events Were Completed Behind Schedule, Most of the Testing Has Been Completed
 - PDRR Prototype Testing Will Continue Over the Next Year to Focus on Amphibious Operations in the Open Ocean and Surf and Additional Firepower Testing
- **Testing to Date Has Identified Many Design Improvements That Will Be Made to the Next Generation of Prototypes**
 - The Close-to-Objective Design of the PDRR Prototypes Enabled All Aspects of the Vehicle Design to Be Assessed



SDD DESIGN IMPROVEMENT

Troop Space / Comfort

PDRR Prototype Design Issue: Internal Space for Troop

Improvements:

Environmental Control Unit (Port/STBD) moved outboard creating 2-4 more inches in aiseways

Engine compartment bulkheads (Port/STBD) moved inboard creating 1-2 more inches in aiseways

Changing engine compartment bulkheads material to reduce bulkhead temperature

AFES bottles moved inboard 6-7 inches eliminating aiseways entrance/exit snag points

Radiator compartment forward bulkhead moved AFT 1-2 inches improving aiseway entrance/exit

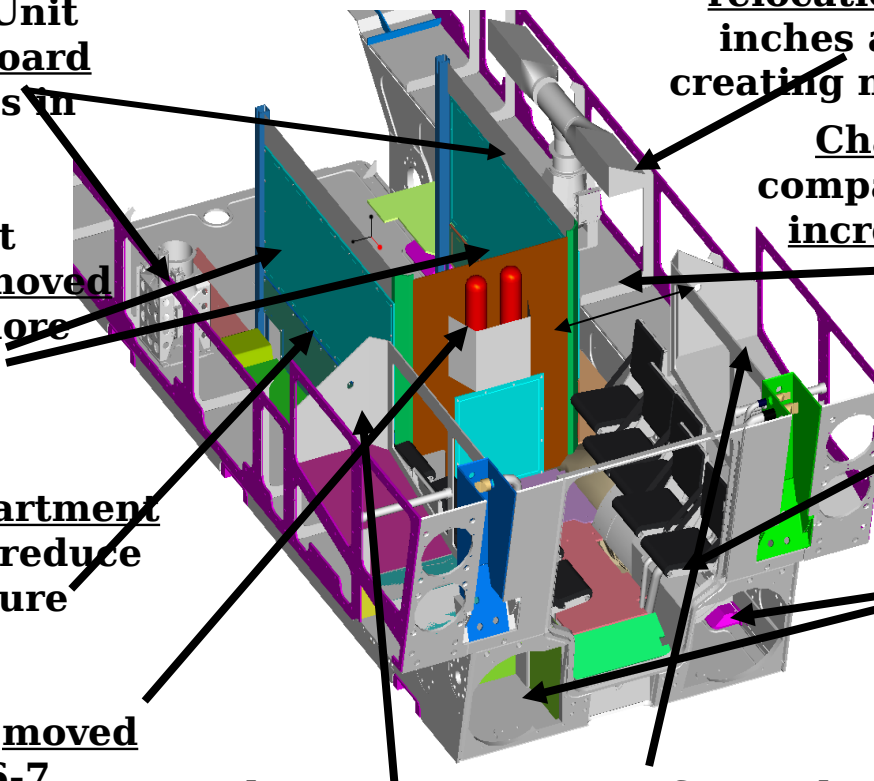
Environmental duct redesign and relocation (Port/STBD) up 4 inches and outboard 2-4 in creating more aiseway passage

Chamfered engine and coolant compartment bulkhead (Port/STBD) increasing aiseway entrance/exits by 3-4 inches

Alternative seat concepts being evaluated

Waterjets Being Moved Aft 6 inches

Reducing snag points and head knockers throughout vehicle





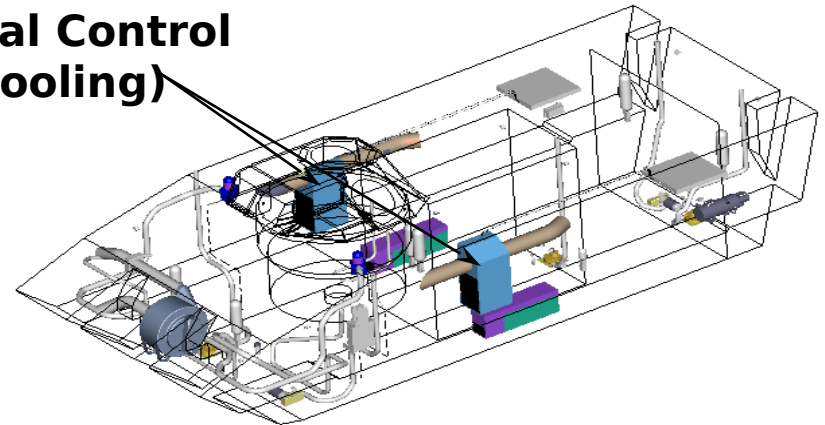
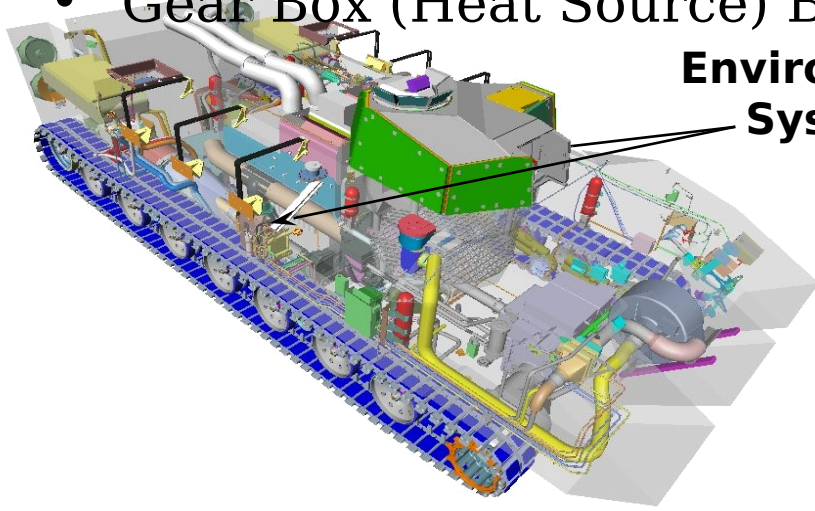
SDD DESIGN IMPROVEMENT

Air Conditioning/Internal Heat
PDRR Prototype Design Issue: High Internal
Temperatures/ Inadequate Air-Conditioning

Improvements:

- Environmental Control System (ECS) Being Replaced - New Vendor, Larger Capacity
 - ECS Hydraulic Pumps Being Replaced - Variable Speed
- Hot Components Being Insulated (Engine Compartment, Transmission, etc.)
- Gear Box (Heat Source) Being Isolated From Troop Space

**Environmental Control
System (Cooling)**





SDD DESIGN IMPROVEMENT



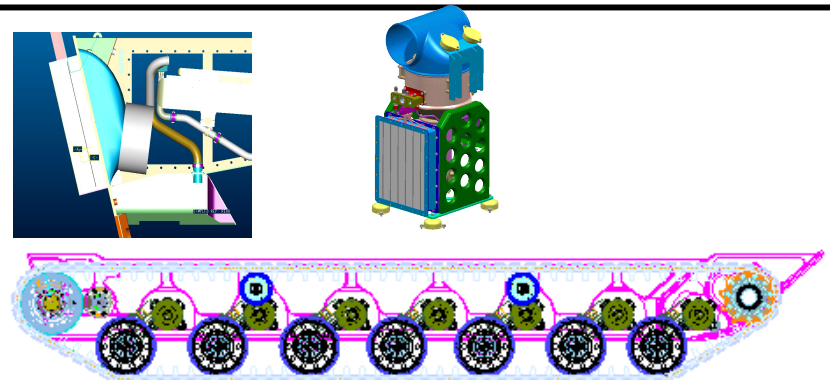
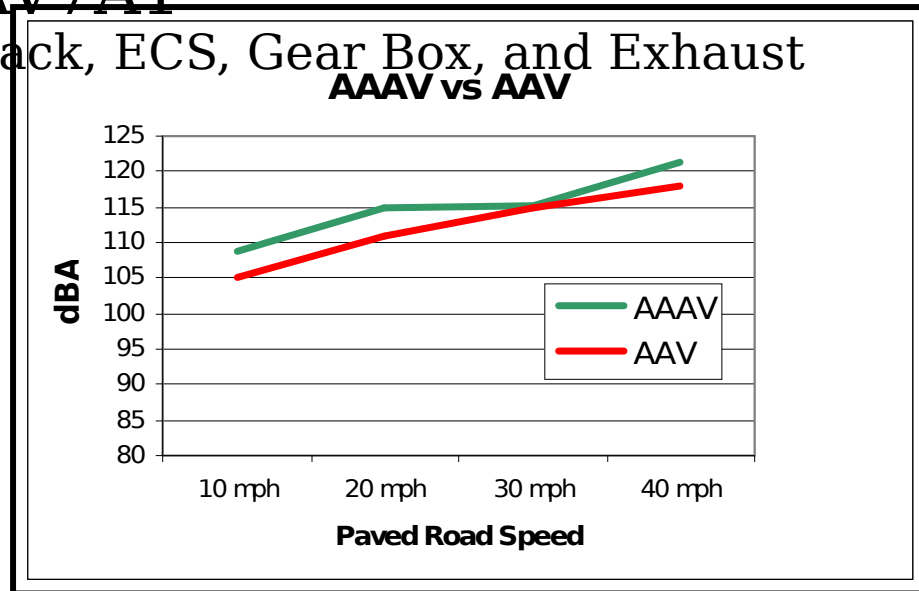
Internal Noise Levels

PDRR Prototype Design Issue: Side-by-side Comparisons show that the PDRR Prototypes are Slightly Noisier Than the AAV7A1

(Noise Sources Include the Track, ECS, Gear Box, and Exhaust Fans)

Improvements:
The Track Has been Redesigned to use a Quieter Rubber

- The ECS is Being Replaced with a New System from a Different Vendor
- Gear Box Being Redesigned, Alternate Being Evaluated
- The Number of Exhaust Fans is being Reduced from 4 to 2 and the Fans have been Redesigned





SDD DESIGN IMPROVEMENT

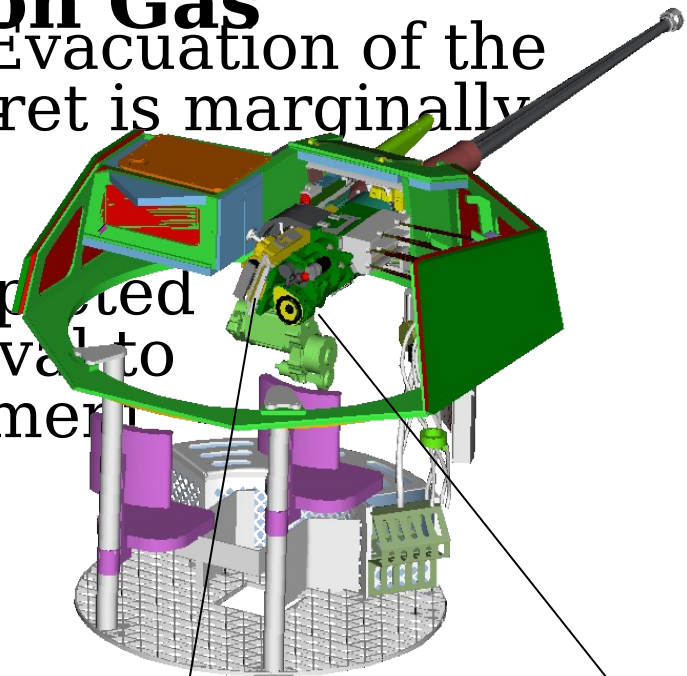
Ammo Combustion Gas

PDRR Prototype Design Issue: Evacuation of the Combustion Gas (CO) from the turret is marginally adequate.

Current Activities: Recently completed data collection for MCOTEA approval to enter Gunnery Phase. Data assessment on-going.

Improvements: Being Improved to Ensure Overpressure Performs As Intended

- Improved Engine Compartment seal
- Additional Ventilation is being Provided for the Vehicle Commander
- A Gun Bag Is Being Added to the Mk44 Cannon That Channels the Gas



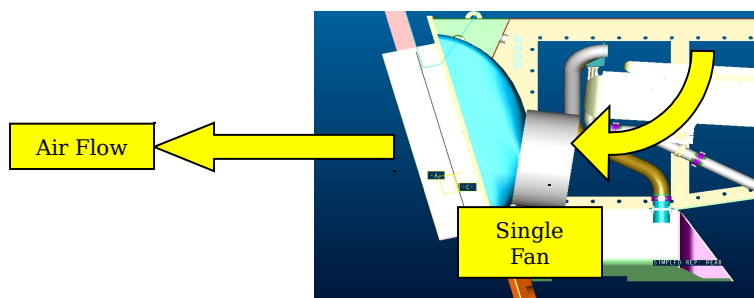
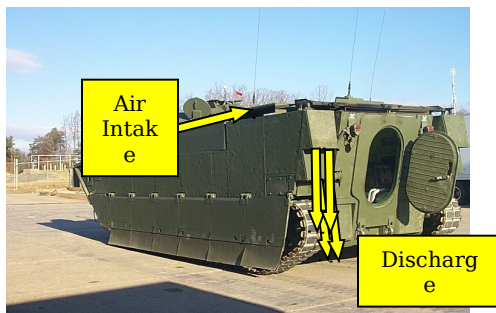


SDD DESIGN IMPROVEMENT

PDRR Prototype Design Issue: Radiator Exhaust
Created a Significant Dust Cloud Behind the Vehicle

Improvements:

- The Exhaust Fan Flow Is Being Redirected Aft Instead of Directly Down Into the Ground





SDD DESIGN IMPROVEMENT



Track System Durability

PDRR Prototype Design Issue: The Prototypes have Experienced Unsatisfactory Instances of Failed Track and Thrown Track



Improvements:

- Track Idler Assembly and Sprockets are Being Redesigned
- Although the PDRR Designed Track Has Proven to be Durable for More Than 3000 Miles of Mixed Terrain, SDD Will Further Refine the Design to Include:

- Material Selections
 - Metals, Rubber, Polymers
- Optimizing the Connecting Pin Diameter
- Optimizing the Bushing Diameter
- Optimizing the Block Design





SDD DESIGN IMPROVEMENT

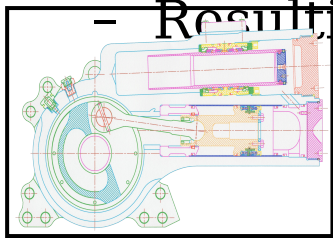


Reliability

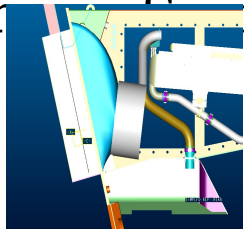
PDRR Prototype Design Issue: PDRR Prototypes Have Lower Than Expected Reliability

Improvements:

- **All Reliability Drivers Are Being Addressed in the SDD Designs**



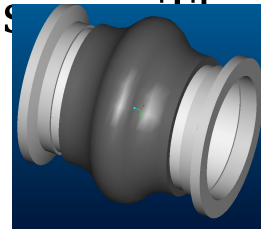
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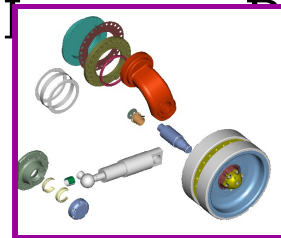
Cooling Fans



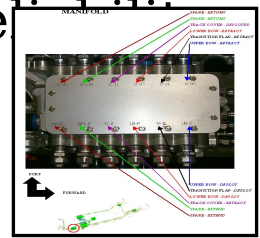
**Electrical
Cables**



**Cooling Line
Connections**



Tensioner

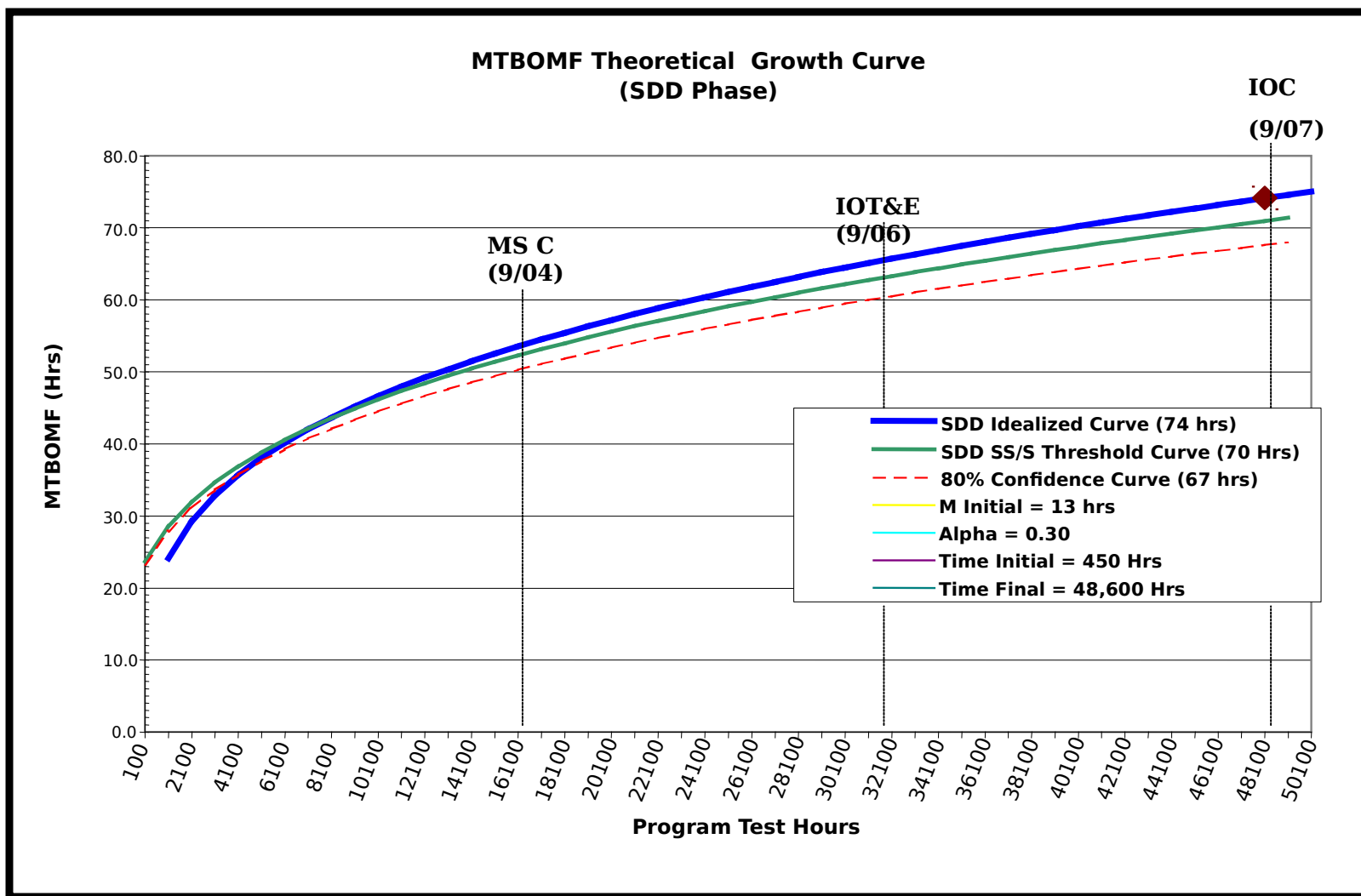


**Hydraulic
Manifolds**

- Program has Implemented a Failure Review Board to Aggressively Pursue or Implement Corrective Action Activity
- Technical Manuals Will be Far More Mature with the Second Generation Prototypes Reducing Maintenance



RELIABILITY GROWTH CURVE



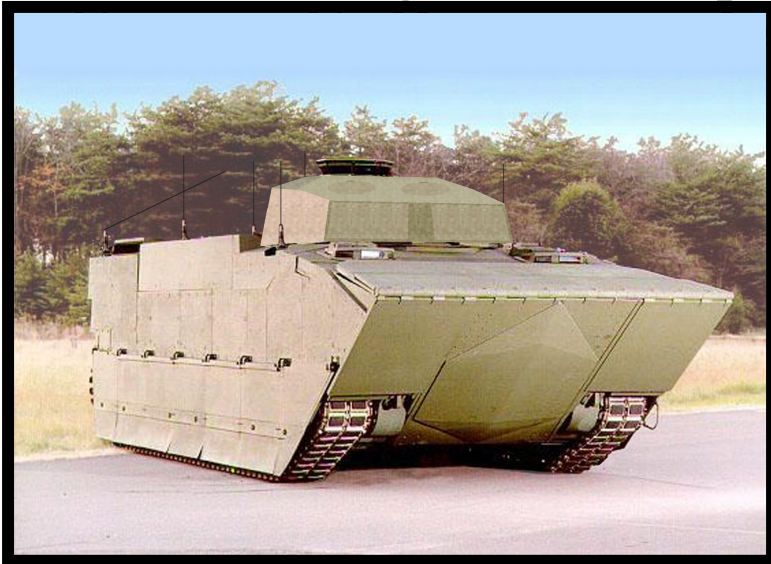
Note: The demonstrated reliability will not trace the theoretical curve due to the time delay in implementing corrective actions.



AAAV(C) DEVELOPMENT STATUS



- **AAAV(C) Has Successfully Integrated Required C2 Software Applications.**
- **User Juries Using an AAVC7 Demonstrated the AAAV(C) Workstation Configuration Capable of On-the-move Operations.**
- **AAAV(C) EOA Draft Report States that the AAAV(C) Preliminary Design Has Sufficient**



Access
Command





AAAV(C) TEST ACTIVITY



- CMOP completed in Aug 01
 - Demonstrated data-link over RF
- Contractor testing of linked co-site boxes successful
- Letter sent to AFATDS program office identifying integration issues and recommended changes
- Cupola / 7.62mm weapon mount test conducted at Quantico
 - DT Marines evaluated competing designs and recommended improvements



C4I TEST ACTIVITY



- Antennas/Intercom/SINCGARS performed well during (P) EOA.
- High-water speed Satcom link closed successfully
- Contractor testing of new co-site box successful
- Contractor testing of Rack shock and vibe successful
 - Possible use of lighter coil shock isolator
- C2PC requirements identified to Project Office
 - Recently began work on 2 AAAV funded requirements.
- Testing to determine minimum C2PC hardware requirements.
- EMI testing scheduled at Pax River for two vehicles
 - Data to support Amphibious EOA safe & ready.



Break Time?





AAAV Live Fire Test and Evaluation IPT

W T&E IPT Briefing

Derek Erdley
AAAV DRPM - Survivability
6 February 2002





Philosophy



- Provide strategy and leadership for comprehensive evaluation of AAAV vulnerability
- Building block process for evaluation
- Testing supplemented with modeling and simulation effort
- Leveraging each preceding phase to provide comprehensive evaluation of the potential susceptibilities and vulnerabilities at the earliest phase of the development life cycle
- Provide an assessment of vulnerability, vulnerability reduction, and lethality of both P and C variants
- Affect the design



LFT&E IPT Accomplishments



- BH&T completed
 - 34 Shots completed December 00 through June 01
 - Follow on AFES testing in Feb 02
- LFT&E IPT met last on 22 January, next meeting 14 February
- TEMP Strategy update distributed to LFT&E IPT for review
 - Updated test plans & matrices based on program schedule change
- MCOTEA will become new chair of IPT



Summary of Current LFT&E Plan



- Armor Characterization Tests
 - Purpose: BAD, BDAR and environmental cycling
 - Scope: 100 targets, 500 shots
 - Schedule: 1st QFY03 – 3rd QFY03
- Ballistic Vulnerability Tests
 - Purpose: BDAR and functional performance
 - Scope: 14 Shots
 - Schedule: 1st QFY03 – 4th QFY03



Summary of Current LFT&E Plan



- Component Ballistic Tests
 - Purpose: Vulnerable component performance with selected threats
 - Scope: 9 shots
 - Schedule: 3rdQFY02
- Controlled Damage Tests (P Variant)
 - Purpose: Evaluate synergistic and cascading damage
 - Scope: Multiple events
 - Schedule: 1st – 2nd QFY03; 1st QFY05
- Controlled Damage Tests (C Variant)
 - Schedule: TBD



Summary of Current LFT&E Plan



- FUSL Tests
 - Purpose: Evaluate production representative EMD AAAV (P) Vehicle
 - Scope: 16 shots (Investigating number of test assets)
 - Schedule: 1st QFY05 – 1st QFY07



Summary of Current LFT&E Plan



- Modeling and Simulation
 - Key elements:
 - Preshot predictions
 - Full system assessment
 - Purpose:
 - Vulnerability estimates for threats and conditions not tested
 - Responsibilities and schedules established for:
 - VV&A plan
 - Modeling plan
 - Target geometry
 - Component P_k s
 - Damage Assessment List
 - Criticality Analysis



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BH&T Overview



- **Purpose:**

- Identification of areas requiring redesign
- Armor performance/response
- Structural response to ballistic events
- Characterization of damage to support BDAR development
- Shock propagation characteristics of design
- Response of critical seals and alignments



- **Test Approach:**

- Phase I - Water environment testing at AEC Underwater Explosion (UNDEX) Test Facility (3 shots)
- Phase II - 31 land based events, range of threats from small arms to large KE, shaped charges and artillery,

- **Test Configuration:**

- BH&T up weighted to operational weight
- Anthropomorphic manikins installed for some shots
- Critical components (HSU, full suspension, fuel cells, etc.) installed for some
- Instrumented for :
 - Acceleration and Strain
 - Toxic Fumes
 - Temperature
 - Pressure



- **SDD design reflects lessons learned**

- **AFES test being conducted as follow**

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OPERATIONAL ASSESSMENTS

PDRR AAV(P) PROTOTYPE



- **EOA for Land Mobility was Independently Conducted by MCOTEA**
- **EOA Conducted Across CAX Scenario -**
- **20 Palms, Oct/Nov 01**
- **4 Major Operational Events**
- **Unit Involved: 3/5 (K Company)**
 - AAV Unit Operator and Infantry Training
 - Mobile Assault Course with Infantry Company
 - Mobile Assault Course with Tank Company
 - FINEX - Maneuver of the Marine Ground Combat Element, both offensive and defensive tactics, Performance is Evaluated
- **AAV/AAV Comparative Firepower Event Planned for 2nd QTR FY02**





MCOTEA BRIEF





TEMP UPDATE TIMELINE



- Parts 1, 2, 3 draft distributed today and DT portion of Historical Appendix.
- Work Part 4 issues with MCOTEA.
- LFT&E IPT processing Live-Fire strategy and Issues.
- Discussion Points:



Recap of Action Items

